IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.SIRI JAGAN

WEDNESDAY, THE 8TH AUGUST 2007 / 17TH SRAVANA 1929

WP(C).No. 24212 of 2007(G)

PETITIONER:

RAMAKRISHNAN,
B.M.C. .O.,VAZHAKKALA, KAKKANAD.

BY ADV. SRI.RENI ANTO KANDAMKULATHY

RESPONDENTS:

1. EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
   KERALA WATER AUTHORITY,
   WATER SUPPLY SUB-DIVISION,
   NEAR ST. MARYS SCHOOL,ALWAYE.

2. ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
   KERALA WATER AUTHORITY,
   WATER SUPPLY SUB-DIVISION,
   KALAMASSERY.

BY SHRI.M.DINESH, SC.

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 08/08/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

S.SIRI JAGAN, J.

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W.P.(C).No.24212 of 2007

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Dated this the 8th day of August, 2007

J U D G M E N T

The petitioner complains of exorbitant demand for water charges. The petitioner has already filed Ext.P5 appeal against the demand before the 1st respondent. The petitioner seeks disposal of Ext.P5 expeditiously and stay of coercive recovery of the amounts demanded till such disposal.

2. I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as also the learned Standing Counsel appearing for the respondents.

3. In the facts and circumstances of the case, there would be a direction to the 1st respondent to consider and pass appropriate orders on Ext.P5 after affording an opportunity of being heard to the petitioner, as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within one month from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. Till the disposal of the appeal, there would be a stay of coercive recovery of the amounts demanded on condition that

the petitioner pays fifty per cent of the amounts demanded within two weeks from today.

The writ petition is disposed of as above.

Sd/-
sdk+ S.SIRI JAGAN, JUDGE

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P.A. to Judge.